

**To: Parents of 11th Grade Confirmation Candidates**

**From: Fern Tabor, Director of Religious Education**

**Date: December 3, 2023**

**Re: Confirmation Packet**

Enclosed you will find paperwork that must be completed before a person can serve as a Confirmation Sponsor. Because we realize that it may take time to gather all the information required, we are sending this to you now.

According to Diocesan policy a sponsor:

1. **MUST** be a Roman Catholic and NOT younger than 16 years old and have already received the Sacrament of Confirmation.
2. **MUST NOT** be the father, mother, or legal guardian of the candidate.
3. **MUST** be a Roman Catholic leading “a life in harmony with the faith and the role to be undertaken.” The person must be in good standing and living and fulfilling faithfully the obligations of a Catholic life.
4. **MUST** be married (if married) by a Catholic priest in the Roman Catholic Tradition. A Catholic in a civil marriage, or married by other ministers, or married by the Justice of the Peace, cannot serve as sponsor for this does not fulfill a life in harmony with the faith.
5. **MUST NOT** be co-habiting or living with another.

**You must return:**

1. **Sponsor for Confirmation Certificate of Eligibility**
2. **Confirmation Candidate/Sponsor Information Sheet.**
3. **Copy of the sponsor’s complete baptismal certificate with proof of the sponsor’s confirmation.** (Can be gotten from the sponsor’s church of baptism.)

These forms **MUST** be completed in their entirety and returned to me no later than **February 18, 2024**. Should you misplace any form, copies may be found on the Maria Immacolata website ([www.micchouma.org](http://www.micchouma.org).)

**CONFIRMATION CANDIDATE/SPONSOR  
CHECK OFF SHEET  
(Return by February 18, 2024)**

To make it easier for you to return all required documents, we are providing the following checklist: **(THERE SHOULD BE 3 DOCUMENTS RETURNED)**. Should you misplace any form, copies may be found on the Maria Immacolata website ([www.micchouma.org](http://www.micchouma.org))

\_\_\_\_\_ (1.) **Confirmation Candidate/Sponsor Information Sheet** completely filled out

\_\_\_\_\_ (2.) **Copy of Sponsor's Complete Baptismal Certificate with proof of Confirmation indicated on Certificate.**

\_\_\_\_\_ (3.) **Certificate of Eligibility for Sponsor Form**  
(Certification must be **signed** by current Pastor.)

Any of the above can be **faxed** to me at **879-2137/att. Fern.**

**CONFIRMATION CANDIDATE/SPONSOR  
INFORMATION SHEET**

(Return completed packet by February 18, 2024)

YEAR OF RECORD 2023-2024

CONFIRMATION DATE 2024

Candidate's FULL NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate's Confirmation Saint Name \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate's BIRTHDATE \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate's BAPTISM DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate's Church of Baptism and Church Address (*very important*)

\_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Full Maiden Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**Sponsor Information:**

Sponsor Name \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor Address \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's Church of Baptism

\_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

***A COPY OF THE SPONSOR'S Complete BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE with  
PROOF OF CONFIRMATION MUST BE INCLUDED IN THIS PAPERWORK.***

**Sponsor for Confirmation**  
**CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY**

Candidate Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's Full Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

**Jesus entrusted the sacraments and the Gospel to his Church and the laws of the Roman Catholic Church.** In The Code of Canon Law, canons 872 & 874 list the requirements that a person must possess in order to qualify as a Sponsor in Confirmation. It states that one must not be bound by any canonical penalty legitimately imposed or declared: Accordingly,

**I. A Sponsor:**

- **Must** be a Roman Catholic and NOT younger than 16 years old.
- **Must** have already received the Sacrament of Confirmation.
- **Must** not be the father, mother or legal guardian of the child and/or candidate.  
**Must** be a Roman Catholic leading "a life in harmony with the faith and the role to be undertaken." (This means that the person is in good standing and living and fulfilling faithfully, the obligations connected to the Catholic Church).
- If the Sponsor is married, to qualify as a Sponsor, a **Catholic priest must** have officiated at the wedding.
- A Catholic in a civil marriage, or married by another minister, or married by the Justice of the Peace **cannot serve** as Sponsor for this does not fulfill "a life in harmony with the faith."
- **Must** not be co-habiting or living together.

Catholic Church of Marriage: \_\_\_\_\_ Month/Day/Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Location City/State: \_\_\_\_\_

Never Married: \_\_\_\_\_

In your present Church Parish are you: Registered \_\_\_\_\_ Not Registered \_\_\_\_\_

**+ This form MUST be completed and signed before one can serve as a Sponsor.**

Church Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

Pastor/Administrative Assistant \_\_\_\_\_  
*Print Name* *Signature*

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_